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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Naoki HAYASHIDA, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR: ARTICLE WITH COMPOSITE HARDCOAT LAYER AND METHOD FOR FORMING COMPOSITE HARDCOAT LAYER

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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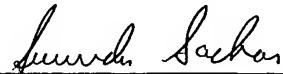
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